

TOWN OF BELCHERTOWN

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Supporting Business Growth and Development in Belchertown

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William A. Terry, Chairman'

Former Belchertown State School Site

FY'21 EPA Brownfields Cleanup Grant Application

Lot 4 - Building 9 Power Plant

Belchertown Economic Development and Industrial Corporation

IV.D. Narrative Information Sheet

1. Applicant: Belchertown Economic Development and Industrial Corporation

2 Jabish Street - Town Hall Belchertown, MA 01007

2. Funding requested

a. Grant type: Single Site Cleanup

b. Federal funds requested:

1. \$500,000

ii.

applicant is not requesting a cost share waiver

c. Contamination:

Hazardous Substance

3. Location:

Belchertown

Hampshire County

Massachusetts

4. Property Information:

Belchertown State School

Lot 4 Building 9 (Power Plant)

9 Berkshire Avenue

Belchertown, MA 01007

5. Contacts:

a. Project Director:

Anne M Pierce, Grants Manager

MassDevelopment 33 Andrews Parkway Devens, MA 01434 978-784-2935

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b. Chief Executive:

William Terry, Chairman

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6. Population

a. General population of jurisdiction: 15,134

7. Attached Other Factors Checklist

- Secured firm leveraging commitment tied directly to the project and will facilitate completion of the project/redevelopment; secured resource is identified in the Narrative and substantiated in the attached documentation.
- Proposed site is adjacent to a body of water
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- The redevelopment of the proposed cleanup site will facilitate renewable energy from wind, solar or geothermal energy; or any energy efficiency improvements projects.

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8. Attached Letter from MassDEP



Commonwealth of Massachusetts Executive Office of Energy & Environmental Affairs

Department of Environmental Protection

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Karyn E. Polito Lieutenant Governor Kathleen A. Theoharides Secretary

> Martin Suuberg Commissioner

September 3, 2020

U.S. EPA New England Brownfields Project Officer Attn: Frank Gardner 5 Post Office Square, Suite 100 Boston, MA 02109-3912

Subject:

STATE LETTER OF ACKNOWLEDGMENT

Lot 4, Former Belchertown State School, Belchertown, Massachusetts

Dear Mr. Gardner:

I am writing to support the proposal submitted by the Belchertown Economic Development and Industrial Corporation (BEDIC) under the Fiscal Year 2021 U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Brownfield Cleanup Grant Program. BEDIC is in the process of remediating the former power plant at the Belchertown State School property. BEDIC intends to prepare the site for redevelopment after completion of building material remediation and demolition.

In Massachusetts, state and federal agencies have developed strong partnerships and work together to ensure that parties undertaking Brownfield projects have access to available incentives. The Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection (MassDEP), through our regional officers, provides technical support to Brownfield project proponents when regulatory issues arise. If this proposal is selected, MassDEP will work with our state and federal partners to provide the support to BEDIC that will be needed to help make this project a success.

I hope that this information is helpful, and please feel free to contact Angela Gallagher at (508) 946-2790 if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

Paul Locke, Assistant Commissioner Bureau of Waste Site Cleanup

ec: Ann Pierce, Grants Manager, MassDevelopment Caprice Shaw, Brownfields Coordinator, DEP-WERO

This information is available in alternate format. Contact Michelle Waters-Ekanem, Director of Diversity/Civil Rights at 617-292-5751.

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IV.E. Narrative/Ranking Criteria

1. PROJECT AREA DECRIPTION AND PLANS FOR REVITALIZATION

1.a. Target Area and Brownfields

1.a.i. Background and Description of Target Area

Located in western Massachusetts, Belchertown, Massachusetts has its roots in the carriage industry and farming. According to the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection (MassDEP), there are currently 75 releases that are designated as brownfields sites in Belchertown¹. The type of brownfields include abandoned industrial sites, retail petroleum facilities, and other businesses that date back over 50 years, ranging in size from 0.25 to over 200 acres. The former Belchertown State School is one of the larger brownfields sites with wide ranging implications for the senior and youth communities. The former Belchertown State School 845 acre site (the Site) was a facility that operated for 70 years to house the mentally challenged. The school closed on December 31, 1992 and was boarded up. The building complex has become a symbol of Belchertown's legacy of abandoned brownfields sites and out-migration of employment opportunities. It represents the Town's continuing economic struggle to grow its local economy and bring jobs back to the community. The School has been in decay since the 1990's. Over time, some of the former site buildings have burned, been razed or have collapsed. Currently, more than 15 buildings remain at the site and include dormitories, industrial and school buildings, power plant, operations and maintenance structures, sewer pump station, and an electrical shop all of which used hazardous materials. The buildings structures contain hazardous materials including asbestos and lead paint (LBP). Although the Belchertown Economic Development and Industrial Corporation (BEDIC) has repeatedly attempted to maintain the buildings' inaccessibility, it is inevitable that children and the homeless find their way inside and several fires have occurred.

This application for funding targets the cleanup of Building #9 on Lot 4. 1.a.ii. Description of Brownfield Site

Building #9 is part of approximately 15 other structures (e.g. school buildings, dormitories, and maintenance buildings) located within the main campus portion of the former State School property. Building #9 is 8,500 SF with three interior levels and a smoke stack. As the power plant, it provided utilities to the entire campus. It is a made of brick, masonry and steel. Current building conditions display extensive roof deterioration, missing windows and doors and a building interior with large boiler units and other energy related equipment all of which have been vandalized. Tighe & Bond inspection personnel performed a Hazardous Building Material Assessment, which included collection and documentation of site-specific building data and materials. The Massachusetts Licensed Site Professional provided an overview of the Hazardous Building Materials (HBMs) present that will require abatement including:

- Approximately 2,500 linear feet of intact asbestos containing pipe and fitting thermal system
 insulation (TSI) throughout all levels of the building are in various states of disrepair. The
 TSI is friable resulting in contamination to most interior building surfaces and has also
 become commingled with approximately 120 cubic yards of various types of deteriorated
 building debris.
- Approximately 6,300 square feet of deteriorated boiler breeching insulation, 4 large boiler systems insulated with asbestos packings, gaskets and metal mating surfaces. Complete

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¹ MassDEP. http://www.mass.gov/dep/cleanup/

- boiler system dismantling under full containment is necessary to access all Asbestos Containing Materials (ACM).
- Assumed asbestos containing tar and gravel roofing system which has become deteriorated, window caulking and glazing compounds, various types of assumed 9 inch and 12 inch ACM floor coverings located under extensive quantities of plaster debris, ACM wall panel adhesive and wallboard construction, ACM transite electrical boards and components.
- PCBs in paint at levels greater than 50 parts per million (PPM) was applied to concrete
 floors, concrete and brick walls and structural steel. This condition will require special
 handling and disposal of approximately 2,000 tons of the buildings concrete and brick walls,
 floors and ceiling and approximately 500 tons of steel and PCBs within sludgy accumulated
 oils that spilled and contaminated the concrete. Approximately 150 tons of concrete shall be
 handled and disposed of as a PCB waste.
- Possible isolated mercury contamination to the concrete floor impacting approximately 25
 tons of concrete that will require special handling and disposal as a mercury containing
 waste, light ballasts, fluorescent light tubes, containerized oils in equipment.

1.b. Revitalization of Target Area

1.b.i. Reuse Strategy and Alignment with Revitalization Plans

The BEDIC, the current site owner, has established plans redevelop this brownfields site into beneficial reuse. This project is a priority within the Town's economic development plan and Master Plan. It is also a priority for the region's Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) prepared by the Pioneer Valley Regional Planning Commission. The BEDIC is restoring the economic vibrancy of the former Belchertown State School main campus through an aggressive redevelopment plan that will create over 585,000 SF of mixed-use space, up to 500 temporary and permanent jobs with an investment of over \$60 million in cleanup and redevelopment. An estimated \$250,000 in new tax revenue will be realized from this development. The redevelopment plan has been presented and approved by all required Town boards and the Massachusetts Department of Housing and Community Development. Furthermore, the cleanup of Building 9 on Lot 4 will revive the neighborhood, invigorate the local economy, provide near and employment opportunities, utilize sustainability in its cleanup and redevelopment, and remove human health and environmental impacts due to contamination of hazardous materials. Lot 4 is targeted for a multi-family residential development including approximately 114 units, parking areas, and connections to the adjacent trails and open space. 1b.ii. Outcomes and Benefits of Reuse Strategy

Lot 4 sits at the center of a proposed \$20M 114 unit multi-family development. This private investment requires the abatement and demolition of Building 9 Lot 4. Without EPA Brownfields Cleanup grant funds to assist the BEDIC in completing the cleanup, this development will not occur. The site is also near 3 opportunity zones in nearby communities – Northampton (census tract 25015821602/1902) and Easthampton (census tract 25015822402). These communities would benefit from the construction period job creation anticipated by the redevelopment since they are only a thirty-minute drive away (15 and 18 miles respectively).

In addition, removing the contamination and the subsequent demolition of the building is critical to the success of renting the recently opened \$15 million assisted living facility to the elderly and use of the new early childhood education center. The cleanup and redevelopment of the site will incorporate equitable development principles to insure the integrity of the neighborhood. Sustainable remediation measures will be used during the site cleanup and will

include the use of local cleanup contractors; recycling of non-hazardous waste; use of nearby disposal facilities for contaminated media; evaluation of beneficial use determination, including the MassDEP asphalt, brick and concrete (ABC) policy, which will allow use of crushed clean building materials as backfill.

The Project's stormwater management systems have been designed in accordance with the Massachusetts WPA, MassDEP Wetlands Regulations at 310 CMR 10.00, and the MassDEP Massachusetts Stormwater Handbook. The redevelopment of the property will incorporate sustainable development through the use of LEED-designed buildings. The Town of Belchertown has elected to include the state's optional Stretch (Energy) Code in its building requirements. Currently, the Stretch Code (SC1) is based on a reduction of energy use from a baseline of IECC 2007.

1.c. Strategy for Leveraging Resources

1.c.i. Resources Needed for Site Reuse

BEDIC has leveraged over \$10M in Commonwealth and Town investments into the site's cleanup and redevelopment, which includes Building 9:

- \$414,000 match from BEDIC for abatement and remediation (Building 9)
- \$306,000 BEDIC for demolition costs (Building 9)
- \$20M proposed 114 unit multi-family development of the cleaned site. The overall redevelopment investment includes 585,000sf mixed use commercial/industrial (\$40M) and an 83 unit assisted living facility with 50% affordable units (\$15M); day care center with 25% of families served receiving low-income support (\$2.5M)
- \$1.25M infrastructure investment by the Town of Belchertown
- \$3.5M MassWorks infrastructure investment by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts
- \$550,000 infrastructure grant from EDA
- \$265,000 Site Readiness grant from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts

1.c.ii. Use of Existing Infrastructure

The Town and the Commonwealth invested more than \$5M million into road and utility infrastructure to support the site's redevelopment including new roads, water and sewer, and private utilities such as electricity and cable. These improvements are now in place to support the proposed redevelopment of Lot 4.

2. COMMUNITY NEED AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

2.a. Community Need

2.a.i. The Community's Need for Funding

Belchertown is a small rural community(population 15,134) with limited tax revenue. Taxes are primarily derived from residential assessments. Providing standard services to the residents severely limits the amount of funds available for critical capital projects such as the cleanup of the Belchertown State School. In addition, the other large number of brownfield sites in Belchertown (approximately 75) has created a high demand on scarce cleanup funds. The Town has been designated by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Economic Assistance Coordinating Council as an Economically Distressed Area and is an environmental justice community. According to the environmental justice guidelines, this community is both underserved and over-burdened.

The cost for clean-up and demolition are prohibitive to the redevelopment of the site without the support of a Brownfields clean-up grant. The site also contains other development

costs outside the realm of cleanup and demolition such as site preparation, utility upgrades and roadway construction. With limited funds, the BEDIC is seeking support from EPA in order to realize the potential of this development. The Town of Belchertown has also suffered considerable tax revenue loss with the recession as a result of business closures, industry downsizing, and the out-migration of employment opportunities. The Town budget cannot absorb the cost to clean up the site.

2.a.ii. Threats to Sensitive Populations

(1) Health or Welfare of Sensitive Populations

Sensitive populations within the effected community include young children, pregnant women and the elderly because of their vulnerabilities – namely age and health conditions. The cleanup of the contamination will significantly minimize the threat to these populations. Specifically, the removal of the contaminants will significantly reduce and eliminate the effects on young children; on the elderly because of the health and age vulnerabilities; and on pregnant women who are at a greater risk of harming their unborn children with exposure to the contaminants.

Building 9 contains not only ACM but also other toxins because of the advanced state of decay. These impacts will be mitigated as a result of the cleanup and will affirmatively affect the health and well-being of not only theses sensitive populations, but the general population as a whole and will eliminate the threat of prolonged exposure. The building contains significant PCB's: PCBs in paint at levels greater than 50 parts per million (PPM) was applied to concrete floors, concrete and brick walls and structural steel which will require special handling and disposal of approximately 2,000 tons of the buildings concrete and brick walls, floors and ceiling and approximately 500 tons of steel; and approximately 150 tons of concrete shall be handled and disposed of as a PCB waste as a result of sludgy accumulated oils that were spilled and contaminated the concrete. Finally, the potential presence of isolated mercury contamination to the concrete floor which is assumed to impact approximately 25 tons of concrete will also require special handling and disposal as a mercury containing waste.

In addition, Building 9 is adjacent to significant redevelopment accomplishments, namely an 83-unit assisted living facility for the elderly, many of whom have existing medical conditions and a day center for young children. In addition, the site overlooks the New England Small Farm Institute and 4H Club gardens.

The cleanup and demolition of Building 9 is a proactive approach to preventing potential contamination due to the deterioration that may result in additional ground contamination and its potential run-off effecting the Farms and the gardens below. The potential for contaminated run-off from the power plant would have significant environmental damage and damage to food products. Building 9 is also adjacent to a surface water body (Lake Wallace), Lampson Brook and close to the Quabbin Reservoir which may be potentially impacted by site contamination. Eliminating exposure to the ACM materials and other toxins will mitigate any potential impact these contaminants would have on these water resources.

Despite significant and costly efforts to secure the building, it has long been used as a place for crime and drug use. Its cleanup and proposed reuse will promote a revitalization that will expand the Town's economic base, create jobs and much-needed revenue and reconnect the property to its neighborhood and the Town. The cleanup of hazardous materials in the building will remove the risks posed to young children and women of child-bearing age and others who may now trespass. The cleanup of the contaminated site will alleviate these conditions and

substantially lessen the health risk by eliminating their exposure to hazardous materials. The removal will be a significant health risk improvement. The proposed remediation will also eliminate the environmental risk now affecting the area within and around the site. The cleanup will mitigate exposure to peeling lead-based paint and friable asbestos in Building 9.

(2) Greater Than Normal Incidence of Disease and Adverse Health Conditions

According to the Massachusetts Environmental Public Health Tracking, nearly 10% of the children enrolled in K-8 grades suffered from asthma attacks during the 2016-2017 school year². There are numerous health risks associated with the contaminants at the former Belchertown State School Site. Indoor and outdoor hazards pose a health risk to all who enter the Site, including workers, municipal personnel, and determined trespassers as well as the neighboring public schools campus with vulnerable children and the adjacent senior center. Due to the existing conditions of the building (open windows, doors, unrestricted access) in and around friable deteriorated asbestos, the asbestos is causing contamination to the ambient air which is in non-compliance with NESHAPS. The PCB's present on Lot 4 also carry a greater threat to the health and welfare of vulnerable populations. Trespassers or dog walkers are also subject to airborne concentrations of asbestos that may exceed permissible limits as well. Outdoor hazards pose a health risk to those who may come in contact with asbestos fibers that may become airborne. Toxic exhaust from trucks traveling along Rt 202, a major thoroughfare that runs adjacent to the site exacerbates an already negative health impact. Public health research indicates that poor educational outcomes are directly linked to brownfields-related conditions such as elevated lead levels and asthma. Chronic asthma results in frequent absences from school, lowering academic achievement. Elevated lead in blood levels can hold back childhood intellectual development, also lowering academic achievement.³

Lead is toxic to the heart, kidneys, intestines, and more notably to the skeletal and nervous systems, as high levels of lead interfere with both bone growth and nervous system development (and the reason that lead poisoning is so much more severe in children). The major health risks attributed to asbestos exposure include asbestosis, lung cancer and mesothelioma. These risks are very real. According to Massachusetts Cancer Registry, the cancer rates (per Standardized Incidence Ratios) in Belchertown between 2009-2013, for mesothelioma, stomach, non-hodgkins lymphoma, colorectal, uterine, liver, oral, pancreatic and multiple myoloma exceed state cancer rates. The site is a potential risk to human receptors, particularly to nearby residences and environmental receptors that include the Quabbin Reservoir, the drinking water resource for the Boston Metropolitan Area, Lake Wallace and Lampson Brook which are adjacent to this lot. The contaminated conditions of the site have further burdened the community and the cumulative impacts to the neighborhood are alarming.

According to the Center for Health, Environment & Justice⁶, a growing number of studies have found serious health effects from exposure to PCBs. Those health risks are of particular concern for our most vulnerable and sensitive populations – children, women of child bearing years and the elderly. The effects may be outlined as follows: "probable carcinogen; suppress the immune system and thyroid function; elevated risk of cardiovascular disease, hypertension and diabetes; alter sex hormone systems and lowers the age at which a girl reaches puberty and

² https://cognos10.hhs.state.ma.us/cv10pub/cgi-bin/cognosisapi.dll

³ Rebekah Levine Coley & Tama Leventhal," Housing Contexts and Child Development within Low-Income Families "(research proposal 2009).

⁴ Asbestos Health Effects. USEPA. http://www.epa.gov/asbestos/pubs/help.html

⁵ Cancer Incidence Supplements-Belchertown, 2009-2013. Massachusetts Cancer Registry

⁶ Center for Health, Environment & Justice | www.chej.org

lowers the level of testosterone; increase in asthma and other upper respiratory diseases particularly in children; lower birth weights, problems with motor skills and short term memory issues; cognitive problems and reduced ability to learn and remember; and studies have also reported a reduction in alertness and increased tiredness".

(3) Disproportionately Impacted Populations

Belchertown is a designated environmental justice community, a community that is underserved and over-burdened. Of particular concern is the Belchertown CDP (Census Designated Place) which encompasses the former Belchertown State School land. According to the StatsAmercia 2018 Profile⁷, this area of the community has a higher unemployment rate (5.1%), a poverty rate of nearly 11%, 21% children aged 0-17 and over 14% elderly (over 65 years old). All of these are considered vulnerable populations that would be more adversely effected by the health threats of the contamination of the building to be remediated. The cleanup and demolition of Building 9 will effectively eliminate the health threats this building presents.

2.b. Community Engagement

2.b.i. and 2.b.ii. Project Partners and Roles

The BEDIC cleanup and redevelopment plan for the former Belchertown State School Site was born out of a planning process involving the Town and key neighborhood stakeholders. The BEDIC was established with the express purpose of acquiring the Site and establishing a mixed use, multi-purpose center of economic activity. The BEDIC, as an agent of the Town, has worked closely with the Town, the Town's Historical Commission, Department of Health, and Planning Department to develop a comprehensive cleanup and redevelopment action plan for the site. This cleanup application for Building #9 represents one part of that plan.

List of Project Partners

Partner Name	Point of Contact	Specific Role
Quabog Hills Chamber of Commerce	Lenny Weake 413-283-2418 lenny@qhma.com	Business outreach and education
Belchertown Council on Aging	Jessica Langlois 413-323-0420 jlanglois@belchertown.org	Outreach to seniors
Belchertown Department of Public Health	Judy Metcalf, Director 413-323-0406	"Go To" agency for residents with questions on the cleanup
Licensed Site Professional	Tighe and Bond	Provide progress reports to the Board of Health, BEDIC, MDFA
Belchertown EDIC	William Terry, Chairperson 413-323-5790	Manage redevelopment of property, update residents, Board of Selectmen

⁷ http://www.statsamerica.org/town/

MassDevelopment	Claire O'Neill 508-363-2799 ext 134	Project manager, redevelopment agent, manage grant
	coneill@massdevelopment.com	

2.b.iii. Incorporating Community Input

Since the redevelopment of the site is a dynamic process, periodic updates and changes to the master plan will be presented to the public and all interested parties requesting their input and insight. Questions and concerns will be addressed at these meetings and community input will be incorporated in the planning process. The meeting minutes and any materials presented at the meetings will be published on the appropriate local government agency/committee websites for review by the public. This will allow the effected community to have meaningful involvement in the process. Should translation services be required, they will be provided to the affected community. These translations services would include language and access to the information for the deaf and blind.

3. TASK DESCRIPTIONS, COST ESTIMATES, AND MEASURING PROGRESS

3.a. Proposed Cleanup Plan

The proposed cleanup plan includes demolition of Building 9 to support the mixed-use development plan through the Business Neighborhood District. Abatement followed by demolition is technically feasible and can be performed in relatively the same amount of time. Specifically, the contamination includes, but is not limited to: approximately 2,500 LF of intact asbestos containing pipe and fitting thermal system insulation and approximately 120 cubic yards of commingled deteriorated building debris; approximately 6,300 sf of boiler breeching insulation; 4 large boiler systems; ACMs in various building materials; PCBs in paint applied to various building parts requiring special handling and disposal of approximately 2,000 tons of building concrete and brick walls, floors and ceiling and approximately 500 tons of steel; approximately 150 tons of concrete contaminated with PCB containing sludgy oils that spilled; and 25 tons of concrete contaminated with mercury.

The cost is estimated at \$1,220,000 for abatement/cleanup and building demolition. The portion of the cost associated with activities to abate asbestos, remove oil/hazardous materials, remove comingled asbestos/building debris and PCB contaminated brick, steel and concrete is approximately \$914,000.

3.b. Description of Tasks/Activities and Outputs

Task/Activity 1: Cooperative Agreement Oversight

i. Project Implementation

- Discussion of EPA-funded activities: not applicable
- Non-EPA grant resources needed to carry out task/activity: meetings held with Team to plan effective cleanup of hazardous substances, materials for residents \$1,250
- ii. Anticipated Project Schedule: throughout the 36 month grant period
- iii. Task/Activity Lead(s): LSP Contractor, project management staff, architects, engineers
- iv. Output(s): Action Plan developed for hazardous waste cleanup

Task/Activity 2: Community Engagement

i. Project Implementation

- Discussion of EPA-funded activities: Not applicable
- Non-EPA grant resources needed to carry out task/activity \$1,250
 When appropriate, use fact sheets, mailings and the MassDevelopment (Carriage Grove),
 BEDIC and Belchertown websites to inform local community and health organizations of the

results of the testing and of plans for remediation. During Covid-19 response, meetings will be held remotely with BEDIC and community organizations. Approximately 10 meetings will be held.

- ii. Anticipated Project Schedule: throughout the 36 months of the grant period
- iii. Task/Activity Lead(s): LSP Contractor; BEDIC staff, Belchertown Health Department
- iv. Output(s): Community input and notes from meetings will be made available for public review at the BEDIC and Town websites and Town Clerks office

Task/Activity 3: Site Specific

- i. Project Implementation
- Discussion of EPA-related activity \$500,000

Hazardous building materials and PCBs will be abated by a licensed contractor prior to the building demolition and site redevelopment. The hazardous materials include: approximately 2,500 LF of intact asbestos containing pipe and fitting thermal system insulation and approximately 120 cubic yards of commingled deteriorated building debris; approximately 6,300 sf of boiler breeching insulation; 4 large boiler systems; ACMs in various building materials; PCBs in paint applied to various building parts requiring special handling and disposal of approximately 2,000 tons of building concrete and brick walls, floors and ceiling and approximately 500 tons of steel; approximately 150 tons of concrete contaminated with PCB containing sludgy oils that spilled; and 25 tons of concrete contaminated with mercury.

- Non-EPA grant resources needed to carry out task/activity: \$87,500
- ii. <u>Anticipated Project Schedule:</u> Actual cleanup is expected to take four months and will be completed within the 36 months of the grant period
- iii. Task/Activity Lead(s): LSP Contractor, project management staff of BEDIC
- iv. Output(s): hazardous materials are successfully abated and the building is ready for demolition and final cleanup

Task/Activity 4: Oversee Cleanup

- i. Project Implementation
- Discussion of EPA-funded activities not applicable
- Non-EPA grant resources needed to carry out task/activity, if applicable: \$10,000
- ii. Anticipated Project Schedule: throughput the 36 months of the grant period
- iii. <u>Task/Activity Lead(s)</u>: LSP Contractor, project management staff of BEDIC, architects, engineers
- iv. Output(s)
- Licenses Site Professional (LSP)/Contractor will make all required reporting to the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection (MassDEP) and the EPA.
- Management of hazardous building materials will be reported to MassDEP and other local, state and federal agencies, as required. BEDIC will monitor all remedial planning cleanup work to meet regulatory timelines as proposed in remedial plans, along with abatement and management of hazardous building materials. This information will be summarized in EPA quarterly reports.
- Working closely with the LSP, BEDIC will monitor the progress of the cleanup, assessing
 the level of completeness, identifying potential obstacles or setbacks, devising a plan to
 address these setbacks and adjusting the cleanup plan accordingly to insure timely and
 successful completion and the BEDIC will utilize the ACRES database to track and describe

- project outcomes summarized in the above section. BEDIC will also be tracking progress through the securitization of funding.
- BEDIC will employ all standard GAAP (Generally Accepted Accounting Principles)
 procedures and hold ourselves and our team accountable for every phase of the project.

3.c. Cost Estimates and Outputs

All cost estimates were provided by our LSP consultant as follows:

Tasks 1 Cooperative Agreement and 2 Community Engagement \$500 estimated for supplies including the cost for producing fact sheets on the cleanup; progress reports and other community information material and mailings deemed necessary to maintain community engagement throughout the process.

Tasks 1 Cooperative Agreement and 2 Community Engagement \$2,000 is estimated cost for scheduling, managing, convening community meetings virtually for a min of 10 meetings @\$200/meeting throughout the cleanup process.

Task 3 Site Specific \$587,500 cost for the remediation and cleanup of Building 9, Lot 4. The EPA grant requests is \$500,000 with a \$87,500 cost match. As provided by our LSP, the costs are

• abate asbestos \$200,000; remove oil/hazardous materials \$52,500; remove comingled PCB contaminated debris, soil \$327,500; remove mercury contaminated debris \$7,500

Task 4 Oversee Cleanup \$10,000 Estimated cost for LSP consultant to provide oversite of cleanup process, submit required progress reports to MassDEP, EPA, Acres, BEDIC and MDFA.

BUDGET TABLE Project Costs Total **Budget** Categories (Task 1) (Task 2) (Task 3) (Task 4) Oversee Cooperative Community Site Specific Agreement Engagement Cleanup Personnel Fringe benefits Travel Equipment 500 Supplies 250 250 599,500 587,500 Contractual 1,000 1,000 10,000 Other **Total Direct Costs** 600,000 **Indirect Costs** 500,000 **Total Federal Share** 100,000 Cost Share (20%) 1,250 1,250 87,500 10,000 600,000 **Total Budget**

3.d. Measuring Environmental Results

Outputs: The BEDIC will measure environmental results by engaging LSP/Contractor who will make all required reporting to the MassDEP and the EPA. The LSP will utilize the ACRES database to track and describe project outcomes, and will manage reporting of hazardous materials to MassDEP and other local, state and federal agencies, as required. BEDIC will monitor all remedial planning cleanup work to meet regulatory timelines as proposed in remedial plans, along with abatement and management of hazardous building materials. This information will be summarized in EPA quarterly reports. Working closely with the LSP, BEDIC will

monitor the progress of the cleanup, assessing the level of completeness, identifying potential obstacles or setbacks, devising a plan to address these setbacks and adjusting the cleanup plan accordingly to insure timely and successful completion.

Outcomes:

- Site cleanup completed by September 30, 2024
- Site redevelopment commences on or before September 30, 2024
- 4. PROGRAMMATIC CAPABILITY AND PAST PERFORMANCE

4.a. Programmatic Capability

4.a.i. Organizational Structure

For the development of the proposed facility, the BEDIC has been, and will continue to work with our environmental contractor and licensed contractors for each and every phase of cleanup/remediation, design, construction and restoration. The BEDIC has entered into a Memorandum of Agreement with MassDevelopment to manage grant.

4.a.ii. Key Staff - MassDevelopment

Ms. Claire O'Neill will be the project manager. Ms. O'Neill has been the project manager for the overall redevelopment of the Belchertown State School site including managing various consultants, assessing their work product and progress, and managing the redevelopment budget. Mr. Kendall Cardwell and Mr. Joseph Bisceglia will be the resident engineers and monitor the consulting engineers and LSP. They have worked on EPA projects in Taunton and Belchertown. Ms. Anne Pierce will manage the grant. She has been the Grants Manager for MassDevelopment for 15 years and has successfully managed over \$20M in grant funds for infrastructure improvements.

4.a.iii. Acquiring Additional Resources

BEDIC has leveraged over \$10M in Commonwealth and Town investments into the site's cleanup and redevelopment which includes Building 9:

- \$414,000 match from BEDIC for abatement and remediation (Building 9)
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- \$550,000 infrastructure grant from EDA
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All additional services will be procured through an open, public bidding process

4.b. Past Performance and Accomplishments

4.b.i. Currently Has Received an EPA Brownfields Grant

- (1) <u>Accomplishments:</u> The BEDIC was awarded a \$400,000 cleanup grant on 10/1/2017 for Lots 1 and 2 at Belchertown State School. The cleanup is complete and all funds expended.
- (2) <u>Compliance with Grant Requirements:</u> All aspects of the workplan were met on time. The project completed in September 2020. All reporting was done and the Closeout is being finalized. We will continue to maintain all records for 3 years from the date of the accepted Final FFR.



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October 1, 2020

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Washington, DC 20460

Re: Application for Cleanup Grant for Lot 4 (Building # 9) at the Former Belchertown State School, Belchertown MA

Dear Office of Brownfields and Land Revitalization:

Please accept this letter as documentation that BEDIC, through its agent, the Massachusetts Development Finance Agency (MassDevelopment) will provide the necessary funds to complete the cleanup of the above mentioned Lot 4 (Building #9)

The funds designated will be leveraged from a contract between MassDevelopment

located at the former Belchertown State School campus in Belchertown.

and the Commonwealth of Massachusetts for funds to clean up the former

Belchertown State School and the amounts committed to Lot 4 (Building # 9)

Karyn E. Polito

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Lieutenant Governor

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President and CEO

\$100,000 for match for EPA grant request

Please contact Claire O'Neill, the project manager, at coneill@massdevelopment.com or 617-595-9430 if you require additional information.

Sincerely,

include:

Cassandra McKenzie

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Executive Vice President -Real Estate

III. THRESHOLD CRITERIA

- A. Non-Profit Status and Proof of Ownership
- **B.** Property Specific Determination Not Applicable
- C. Petroleum Site Not Applicable
- D. Cost Waiver Not Applicable
- E. Draft ABCA
- F. Community Notification
 - a. Newspaper Advertisement
 - **b. Town Clerk Posting Notice**
 - c. Sign-up sheet
 - d. No written comments were received
 - e. Minutes of Meeting

III.B Threshold Criteria for Cleanup Grants

1. Applicant Eligibility

The Belchertown Economic Development and Industrial Corporation (BEDIC) is a Massachusetts Economic Development and Industrial Corporation, which is a Government Entity Created by State Statute, Mass. General Laws. c 121C (M.G.L. c.121C). It was created thereunder as a Massachusetts public body politic and corporate with its powers and authority governed by that State Statute. As required under M.G.L. c. 121C, as part of its legal formation, there was a vote of the May 1982 Belchertown Town Meeting approving creation of the BEDIC, as indicated in the attached notification of action taken at the Special Town Meeting of June 28th, 1982.

2. Previously Awarded Cleanup Grants

The proposed site has not received funding from a previously awarded EPA Brownfields Cleanup Grant.

3. Site Ownership

The BEDIC is currently the sole owner of Lot 4, which consists of 1 building, the former state school power plant. The property is one of several parcels that comprise a portion of the former Belchertown State School known as the "main campus". Ownership of the property is held in a Release Deed that was conveyed from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to the BEDIC in April 19, 2002 and is recorded in the Hampshire County Registry of Deeds (ROD) in Book 6614, Page 331.-A copy of the conveyances and deeds to BEDIC are attached.

4. Basic Site Information

a. Name of site:

Belchertown State School Lot 4

b. Address:

State Street/Route 202

Belchertown, MA 01007

c. Current Owner:

Belchertown Economic and Industrial Development

Corporation

d. Date acquired property:

April 19, 2002

5. Status and History of Contamination at the Site

a) Hazardous and/or petroleum contamination

Portions of Building #9 are in a state of decay which has caused extensive commingling of known friable and non-friable ACMs of varying type, thus causing the need for extensive decontamination throughout the building. Current deteriorated conditions (i.e. missing windows and doors) also allow the ACMs to become subject to ambient conditions thus causing friable ACMs to become airborne.

Former Belchertown State School Site Lot 4 –Building 9 Power Plant Belchertown Economic Development and Industrial

Building #9 also contains PCBs in interior painted surfaces that has impacted brick, concrete and steel substrates. Further, lubricating machinery oils containing PCBs were subject to vandalism which caused contamination to concrete surfaces. Prior to and during planned demolition, identified PCBs materials will be managed and remediated to comply with the requirements of the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) and the Massachusetts Contingency Plan (MCP).

These environmental hazards were identified and confirmed by inspections/assessments, sampling, field-screening and laboratory analyses.

b) Operational history and current uses

Building 9 (power plant) is one of several buildings which were part of a state school campus formerly operated by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and was known as the "Belchertown State School for the Feeble-Minded." The state school was opened in 1922 and consisted of a large 800-acre complex that housed and educated 720 patients and residents in 13 dormitory buildings on the main campus. The school was largely self-sufficient and had its own water system, sewage treatment system, power plant, fire department, and telephone system. Other services provided on the campus were school dental, kitchens, laundry, print shop, shoe repair, etc. By the 1940s several of the school buildings were falling into disrepair. The school operated through the 1970s, downsized during the 1980s and eventually closed in 1992.

In 1994, the former Belchertown State School was listed in the National Register (District Number 94000688) and State Register of Historic Places as having historical significance as part of the Massachusetts State Hospitals and State Schools.

After closure of the school, the Town of Belchertown Economic Development and Industrial Corporation (BEDIC) assumed ownership in 2002 of a 259-acre portion of the former state school property, including the main campus portion with buildings, in 2002 and became responsible for its redevelopment. In 2015 the BEDIC acquired an additional 7.5 acres. Their mandate was to attract and expand business that would broaden the tax base and create job opportunities. BEDIC has substantially redeveloped that part of the property that did not contain hazardous materials nor required the type and extent of the cleanup this Parcel does.

The main campus of the property contains abandoned buildings with significant environmental issues. The BEDIC has not been able to move forward with redevelopment due to lack of experience and funding for the large amount of demolition and remediation (D&R) needed at the Site. The property is a 43D Priority Development Site and the BEDIC and the Massachusetts Development Finance Agency (MassDevelopment) signed a Memorandum of Agreement in November 2012 for MassDevelopment to become BEDIC's agent for all activities related to redevelopment. Through work with MassDevelopment, in February 2015, BEDIC entered into a Memorandum of Agreement with the Massachusetts Historical Commission which allows for the demolition of all buildings on the main campus except for the Administration Building, which is being explored for active reuse.

c) Environmental concerns

The former Belchertown School Campus is a state-listed hazardous materials site and has been assessed and remediated in accordance with 310 CMR 40.00000, the Massachusetts Contingency Plan (MCP). Release tracking numbers associated with the former State School property, all of which have been closed out, include:

- RTN 1-00018: Power Facility (Building #24, also known as Building #9) Class A2 Response Action Outcome (RAO) in 2001.
- RTN 1-11570: Food Service 1 & 2 (Building #11) Class A2 RAO in 1997.
- RTN 1-11572: Garage South Side (Building #15) Class A2 RAO in 1998.
- RTN 1-11573: Garage West Side (Building #5) Class A1 RAO in 1997.
- RTN 1-20207: Building 26, PCBs in soils Permanent Solution achieved in 2018

Currently, there are no known additional releases of hazardous substances or petroleum products to soil or groundwater at Building #9.

d) How it became contaminated and nature/extent of contamination

Building #9 was recently subject to a Hazardous Building Materials Assessment, including sampling and analyses. The inspection and sampling were performed by Tighe & Bond licensed personnel. Access to most of the building was conducted with exception of the roof and the interior of the large boiler breeching ducts. The Licensed Site Professional provided an overview and summary of the anticipated Hazardous Building Materials (HBMs) present and that require abatement in Building #9. These include:

- Approximately 2,500 linear feet of intact asbestos containing pipe & fitting thermal system
 insulation (TSI) throughout all levels of each building which are in various states of
 disrepair. The TSI is friable resulting in contamination to most interior building surfaces
 and has also become commingled with approximately 120 cubic yards of various types of
 deteriorated building debris.
- Approximately 6,300 square feet of boiler breeching insulation which is deteriorated.
- Four large boiler systems which are insulated with asbestos packings, gaskets and metal mating surfaces. Complete boiler system dismantling under full containment is necessary to access all Asbestos Containing Materials (ACMs).
- Assumed asbestos containing tar and gravel roofing system which has become deteriorated.
- Window caulking and glazing compounds.
- Various types of assumed 9 inch and 12 inch ACM floor coverings located under extensive quantities of plaster debris.
- ACM wall panel adhesive and wallboard construction.
- ACM transite electrical boards and components.

- PCBs in paint at levels greater than 50 parts per million (PPM) was applied to concrete floors, concrete and brick walls and structural steel. This condition will require special handling and disposal of approximately 2,000 tons of the buildings concrete and brick walls, floors and ceiling and approximately 500 tons of steel.
- PCBs within sludgy accumulated oils that were spilled and contaminated concrete. Approximately 150 tons of concrete shall be handled and disposed of as a PCB waste.
- Possible isolated mercury contamination to the concrete floor which is assumed to impact approximately 25 tons of concrete that will require special handling and disposal as a mercury containing waste.
- Light ballasts, fluorescent light tubes, containerized oils in equipment and stored in place.

6. Brownfields Site Definition

- a. The site is not listed, or proposed for listing on the National Priorities List
- It is not subject to unilateral administrative orders, court orders, administrative orders on consent, or judicial consent decrees issued to or entered into by parties under CERCLA
- c. Is not subject to the jurisdiction, custody, or control of the U.S. government

7. Environmental Assessment Required for Cleanup Proposals

Numerous past studies and environmental investigations (including building assessments) of the former Belchertown State School Campus have been conducted by various engineers, environmental consultants, planners, historians and architects since the mid-1990s. The results of these efforts are documented and summarized in reports which include:

- 1992, Draft Preliminary Assessment Report by Sverdrup Associates
- 1998, Investigative Survey Report for Asbestos Containing Materials by Hygienetics Environmental Corporation
- 1999, Site History Investigation by GZA GeoEnvironmental, Inc.
- 2009, Site Development Feasibility Assessment, by Fuss & O'Neil.
- 2009, Architectural Feasibility Analysis by Dietz and Company Architects.
- 2013, ASTM Phase I ESA, by Fuss & O'Neil.
- 2014, Environmental Notification Form, by Epsilon Associates & others
- 2014, 2015, Intensive Archeological Surveys by PAL, Inc.
- 2015, Draft Environmental Impact Report by Epsilon Associates & others
- 2016, Final Environmental Impact Report by Epsilon Associates & others
- 2015/2016, Hazardous Building Materials Assessments/Chemical Inventories, Tighe & Bond
- 2019, Hazardous Building Materials Assessments / Chemical Inventories, Tighe & Bond

8. Enforcement and Other Actions

There are no enforcement or other actions on this site.

9. Sites Requiring a Property-Specific Determination

The property does not require a property specific determination because the owner has affirmed as such under 3.c. that the property is eligible for funding.

10. Threshold Criteria Related to CERCLA/Petroleum Liability

a. Property Ownership Eligibility - Hazardous Substance Sites

Meets the requirement for asserting an affirmative defense to CERCLA liability through one of the landowner liability protections

iii. LANDOWNER LIABILITY PROTECTIONS FROM CERCLA LIABILITY

(1) Bona Fide Prospective Purchaser Liability Protection

a. Information on Property Acquisition

- (i) The Corporation acquired 259 acres, which includes Lot 4 (the subject of this grant application) plus Parcels C, D and E through the conveyance of the deed
- (ii) April 19, 2002
- (iii) Fee simple
- (iv) Commonwealth of Massachusetts
- (v) There were no familial, contractual, corporate or financial relationships or affiliations with all prior owners or operators of the property

b. Pre-Purchase Inquiry

- (i) 1992, Draft Preliminary Assessment Report by Sverdrup Associates 1998, Investigative Survey Report for Asbestos Containing Materials by Hygienetics Environmental Corporation 1999, Site History Investigation by GZA GeoEnvironmental, Inc.
- (ii) Phase I environmental Site Investigation was conducted by GZA GeoEnvironmental, Inc. in 1999 prior to acquisition of the property. This inquiry is documented in the report entitled "Site Investigation History" as listed under Section 7 above.
- (iii) Updates to the Phase I report were conducted on a continuous basis until and after the conveyance of the property from the Commonwealth to the Corporation

c. <u>Timing and/or Contribution Toward Hazardous Substances Disposal</u>
Hazardous substances were present on the Property prior to acquisition by the
BEDIC. The BEDIC in no way caused or contributed to the hazardous substances
on the property. The BEDIC has not arranged for the disposal or has transported
hazardous substances to the site.

d. Post-Acquisition Uses

The site has not changed since the acquisition and remains under the ownership of the BEDIC. The BEDIC is in the process of cleanup and remediation of the hazardous substances as well as installing the necessary public infrastructure to develop the site for mixed-use.

e. Continuing Obligations

- (i) The contamination is contained and is not expected to be released to the environment
- (ii) Security measures are in-place to prevent the potential for a release or potential exposure to the public.
- (iii) The BEDIC has boarded up Building 9 on Lot 4 in order to restrict potential access by trespassers or vagrants and direct exposures to asbestos and other chemical hazards present in the building.

However, potential risk to human health, public welfare, safety and the environment exists should a release of hazardous materials (asbestos) and PCB's occur as a result of a fire. This risk is "real" as evidenced by the occurrence of three recent fires in 2015 and 2016 at other buildings on the former State School property.

The Corporation confirms its commitment to:

- (i) Comply with any land use restrictions and not impede the effectiveness or integrity of any institutional controls
- (ii) Assist and cooperate with those performing the cleanup and provide access to the property
- (iii) Comply with all information requests and administrative subpoenas that have or may be issued in connection with the property; and
- (iv) Provide all legally required notices

11. Cleanup Authority & Oversight Structure

a. Describe how you will oversee the cleanup

The cleanup contractor selection will be based both on qualifications and costs. The former Belchertown School Campus is a state-listed hazardous materials site and has been assessed and remediated in accordance with 310 CMR 40.00000, the Massachusetts Contingency Plan (MCP). The five release tracking numbers (RTNs) associated with the former State School property (1-00018, 1-11570, 1-11572, 1-11573, and 1-20207) have been closed out.

Cleanup activities at Building 9 under the draft ABCA (related to hazardous building materials only) will be conducted under the direction or in coordination with a Massachusetts Licensed Site Professional (LSP) specializing in HBM abatement, demolition, and selective deconstruction.

b. Plan to acquire access to adjacent properties

There is no access to relevant property required. Should access be required, the BEDIC will work with property owners to secure access.

12. Community Notification

The BEDIC provided the community with a notice of intent to apply for an EPA brownfields grant on September 10, 2020 via a classified ad in the Belchertown Sentinel Legal Notices. The meeting was held on September 16, 2020. The following items are attached that verify community notification and engagement:

- a. Advertisement publication
- b. Notice of public hearing by Town Clerk
- c. Sign-in sheet
- d. Meeting notes/minutes
- e. Written comments

Due to Covid-19 response, the Town Hall is closed to the public. Therefore, the draft application and draft ABCA were made available for review at the project website, www.massdevelopment.com/carriagegrove beginning September 11, 2020.

13. Statutory Cost Share

a. The BEDIC is providing the cost share of \$100,000 as part of a \$500,000 Massachusetts legislative appropriation, funded by MassDevelopment. Up to \$745,000 (which includes the 20% match) is allocated for the removal and cleanup of Building 9. A copy of the letter attesting to this appropriation is attached.

b. The BEDIC is not seeking a cost share waiver.

Town of Belchertown Massachusetts

Action taken at the Special Town Meeting held June 28, 1982

Fiscal 1983

The meeting was called to order at 7:58 p.m. by the Town Clerk.

Nominations for a Moderator pro-tem were called for. Harold Willey was nominated and elected.

The Clerk read the Return of the Warrant.

Registered voters present - 163 (Quorum required-25)

Article I. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,607.81 to the Clapp Memorial Library Expense Account.

(Vote - Unanimous Yes)

Article II. Voted to amend the Zoning By-Law, as previously amended, in the following prescribed manner:

Under Section IV. I. Flood Plain District, 5.: add the following:

(5). The placement of mobile homes, except in an existing mobile home residential park is prohibited in the floodway.

(Vote - Unanimous Yes)

Article III. Voted to amend the Zoning By-Law, as previously amended, in the following prescribed manner:

To correct grammatical errors in Section IV.AB. Mobile Home Park Residential District by moving 2.b. and 2.c. to the end of 2a.2.

(Vote - Unanimous Yes)

Article IV. Voted to appropriate from Public Law #94-488 Federal Revenue Sharing, the sum of \$102,000.00 to purchase and renovate the building on East Walnut Street which was formerly the site of the U. S. Post Office.

(Vote - Majority Yes)

Article V. Voted to authorize the creation of an Economic Development and Industrial Corporation pursuant to the provisions of

Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 121C, as amended, in that the Town recognizes a need for such a corporation as security against future unemployment and lack of business opportunity within the Town and that attracting new industry into the Town and substantially expanding existing industry through an economic and development project or projects financed under the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 121C, as amended, and implemented by such a corporation would alleviate unemployment and lack of business opportunity problems.

(Vote - Unanimous Yes)

INTERNAL REVINDS, SERVICE DISTRICT DIRECTOR Q.P.O. NOK 1680 SECONDAY, NY 11202

Date: FEB 0 3 1997

NEICHERTONN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT INDUSTRIAL CORP LAUNERCE MOMERIAL HALL, 2 JADIEN STREET RELIGIERTOWN, MA 01007 DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Employer Identification Number:

Case Number 116214002 Contact Person: 1200400 KREIS Contact Teleptone Mumber: (973) 845-3302

Internal Revenue Code Section 501(c)(4) Accounting Period Ending: June 30 Form 990 Required: Yes Addendum Applies: No

Dear Applicant:

Hazed on information supplied, and assuming your operations will be as stated in your application for recognition of exception, we have determined you are except from Poderal income tax under section 501(a) of the internal Revenue Code as an organization described in the section indicated above.

Unless specifically excepted, you are liable for taxes under the Pederal Insurance Contributions Act (social security taxes) for each employee to whom you pay \$100 or more during a calendar year. And, unless excepted, you are also liable for tax under the Federal Unemployment Tax Act for each employee to whom you pay \$50 or more during a calendar querter if, during the current or preceding calendar year, you had one or more employees at any time in each of 20 calendar weeks or you paid wages of \$1,300 or more in any calendar querter. If you have any questions about excise, employment, or other Federal taxes, please address them to this office.

If your sources of support, or your purposes, character, or sethed of operation change, please let us know so we can consider the effect of the change on your exempt status. In the case of an assessment to your organizational document or bylams, please send us a copy of the amended document or bylams. Also, you should inform us of all changes in your name or address.

In the heading of this letter we have indicated whether you must file Form 990. Return of Organization Except Prom Income Tax. If You is indicated, you are required to file Form 990 only if your gross receipts each year are normally more than \$25,000. However, if you receive a Form 990 package in the mail, please file the return even if you do not exceed the gross receipts test. If you are not required to file, simply attach the label provided, check the box in the heading to indicate that your armual gross receipts are normally \$25,000 or less, and sign the return.

If a return is required, it must be filed by the 15th day of the fifth month after the end of your annual accounting period. A penalty of \$10 a day is charged when a return is filed late, unless there is reasonable cause for



TOWN OF BELCHERTOWN

Economic Development & Industrial Corporation Supporting Business Growth and Development in Belchertown

2 Jabish Street, P.O. Box 670, Belchertown, MA 01007 * (413) 323*0778 *

William A. Terry, Chairman

June 16, 2015

Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Ogden, UT 84201-0074

Re:

Taxpayer Identification Number:

Tax Form: 990

Tax Period: Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2014

Dear Reader:

The Belchertown Economic Development Industrial Corporation has been filing IRS Form 990 since its inception. It has come to our attention that our Organization is in fact a government unit as described in Rev. Proc. 95-48, 1995-2, C.B. 418. The Corporation was established in accordance with Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 121C and has the following characteristics:

- 1) The Organization was created by a governmental unit, the Board is appointed by an affiliated governmental unit and its members are considered special municipal employees.
- 2) The Organization was created by a governmental unit and its financial statements are subject to an annual audit.
- 3) If the Organization is dissolved, its assets will revert to another governmental unit by operation of law.

We are hereby requesting a ruling or determination that we meet the requirements to be exempted from filing Form 990 as a "Governmental Unit" or an "Affiliate of a Governmental Unit" under the procedures in Rev. Proc. 95-4, 1995-1, I.R.B. 97.

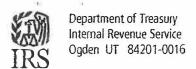
Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

William A. Terry

William A. Terry

Chairman



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Complete both sides of this form and send it to us along with your Form 990/990-EZ in the enclosed envelope. Be sure our address shows through the window.

If you filed electronically, send us the electronic filing acknowledgement along with this form. You may fax it to us at 1-855-214-7520.

Provide	your	contact	information
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If your address has changed, please make the changes below.
BELCHERTOWN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
INDUSTRIAL CORP
PO BOX 670
BELCHERTOWN MA 01007-0670

(412) 325-5790 Da.m. 4 to 6 PM FST Dp.m.

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1.	Indicate whether any of the
	following circumstances apply
	to you

If you already filed a Form 990/990-EZ or 990-N

☐ I already filed my Form 990/990-EZ or 990-N for June 30, 2014, and I am enclosing a signed and dated copy of the return (or electronic filing acknowledgement) as verification.

Name(s) shown on Form 990/990-EZ or 990-N

Employer Identification number (EIN) listed on Form 990/990-EZ or 990-N Is this EIN different from the one on this notice? [] Yes [] No

Form(s) filed Tax period(s) ending date Date form was filed

If you are filing late

 \Box I'm enclosing a signed and dated copy of my June 30, 2014 Form 990/990-EZ (plus any schedules and attachments).

Explain why you are filing late.

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Indicate whether any of the following circumstances apply to you - continued Explain why you don't think you are required to file a Form 990/990-EZ or 990-N for If you don't think you have to file Form 990/990-EZ or 990-N for June 30, 2014 June 30, 2014. ☐ My organization is a 501(c)(12) or 501(c)(15) organization and filed a Form 1120, U.S. Corporate Income Tax Return. ☐ My organization is a subordinate organization in a group exemption and filed as part of a group return under the name ______, with the EIN My organization ceased operations as of: and filed its final return for tax period ______ on ____ (date of filing). *Other reason for not filing (explain below; attach additional sheets if necessary). 2. Please sign and send this form Under penalties of perjury, to the best of my knowledge, the information in this form is correct and complet. e. to us

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RELEASE DEED

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, acting by and through the Commissioner of its DIVISION OF CAPITAL ASSET MANAGEMENT AND MAINTENANCE, having an address at One Ashburton Place, Boston, Massachusetts 02108 (the "Grantor"), acting under the authority of Chapter, 153 of the Acts of 2013 (the "Legislation"), for nominal consideration the receipt and sufficiency of which the Grantor hereby acknowledges, does hereby grant and release to the Belchertown Economic Development Industrial Corporation with an address of 2 Jabish Street, Belchertown, Massachusetts, 01007 (the "Grantee"), without covenants, that certain parcel of land (the "Premises"), shown as Parcel F on a certain plan entitled "PLAN OF LAND IN BELCHERTOWN. MA HAMPSHIRE REGISTRY PREPARED FOR COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS DIVISION OF CAPITAL ASSET MANAGEMENT AND MAINTENANCE", dated November 14, 2014, prepared by Northeast Survey Consultants, which plan is recorded herewith in Plan Book 235, (the "Plan"). The Premises contain 7.503 acres, more or less, as Page 70 shown on the Plan.

Meaning and intending to convey the Premises howsoever the same may be bounded and described, in their "as is" condition. It is the intent of the Parties hereto that all conditions herein shall run with the land and be deemed to be made for valuable consideration.

The Premises are conveyed subject to all matters of record to the extent the same are in force and effect and subject to applicable laws, rights and encumbrances.

For the Commonwealth's title see Deed recorded with the Hampshire County Registry of Deeds in Book 3564, Page 258. See Also Book 722, page 115.

There is no Stamp Tax due because the grantor is the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Commonwealth of Massachusetts has executed this Release Deed as a sealed instrument as of the 310 day of February, 2015.

> COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS acting by and through the Commissioner of its Division of Capital Asset Management and Maintenance

By: Carole J. Cornelison, Commissioner

The undersigned certifies under penalties of perjury that I have fully complied with sections 34 and 36 of chapter 7C of the General Laws as modified by the Legislation in connection with the property described herein.

Carole J. Cornelson, Commissioner

Division of Capital Asset Management and

Maintenance

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Suffolk, ss.

On this 3 day of Feb , 2015, before me, the undersigned notary public, personally appeared Carole J. Cornelison, proved to me through satisfactory evidence of identification, and who was personally known to me, to be the person whose name is signed on the preceding document, and acknowledged to me that she signed it voluntarily, in her capacity as Commissioner of the Division of Capital Asset Management and Maintenance, for its stated purpose.

MARVA J. RUOT Notary Public Commonwealth of Massachusetts My Commission Expires June 8, 2018

Notary Public

My Commission Expires: 6/8/18

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MARY WILBERDING, REGISTER

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RELEASE DEED

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, that the COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, acting by and through its DIVISION of CAPITAL ASSET MANAGEMENT and MAINTENANCE, an agency formerly named the Division of Capital Planning and Operations and renamed by Section 289 of Chapter 194 of the Acts of 1998, pursuant to Chapter 353 of the Acts of 1996 (the "Act"), as amended, having a mailing address of One Ashburton Place, 15th Floor, Boston, MA 02108 ("DCAMM" or "Grantor"), in consideration of Ten Dollars (\$10.00) paid, does hereby grant and release without any covenants to the BELCHERTOWN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT INDUSTRIAL CORPORATION, ("BEDIC" or "Grantee"), a Massachusetts Economic and Development Corporation created pursuant to M.G.L. c. 121C, as amended, any right, title and interest of the Grantor in the following property:

Three (3) certain parcels of land containing approximately 259 acres of land and the buildings consisting of parcels B, D and E (collectively referred to as the "Premises"). Parcel B is shown on a plan of land entitled "Plan of Land in Belchertown, Massachusetts prepared for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Division of Capital Planning and Operations" by E.B. Holmberg & Associates, dated May 2, 1996, and recorded with the Hampshire County Registry of Deeds (the "Registry") in Plan Book 183, Pages 109, excluding however, a certain 7.503 acre parcel of land shown as Parcel F on a plan of land entitled "Plan of Land in Belchertown, Massachusetts prepared for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Division of Capital Planning and Operations" prepared by E.B. Holmberg & Associates and dated April 5, 2002, and recorded with the Hampshire County Registry of Deeds (the "Registry") in Plan Book 192, Page 20, and Parcels D and E are shown on a plan of land entitled "Plan of Land in Belchertown, Massachusetts prepared for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Division of Capital Planning and Operations" prepared by E.B. Holmberg & Associates recorded with the Registry in Plan Book 181, Page 240 (the "Plans").

The conveyance of the Premises includes and is made together with the benefit of and subject to:

- all buildings, facilities, utility systems, utilities, utility lines and poles, conduits, infrastructure, roadways, railroads, bridges, and improvements thereon and appurtenances thereto;
- 2. all rights, restrictions, easements, reservations and other matters of record, insofar as the same are now in force and applicable, including without limitation, those contained in a certain Release Deed to the Town of Belchertown for Parcel A of the former Belchertown State School recorded with the Registry in Book 5341, Page 34; terms, conditions and restrictions contained in the Act, including without limitation, the requirement that the development and use of the Premises shall be consistent with the Town of Belchertown zoning by-laws in effect from time to time, including any variances or special permits issued thereunder, and with the Belchertown Economic Development Industrial Corporation Economic Development Plan dated September 22, 1993, as amended by the Town of Belchertown Economic Development & Industrial Corporation

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Economic Development Plan, dated July 19, 2001, as may be further amended in accordance with the Act (the "Development Plan"), which Development Plan is on file with DCAMM; the terms and conditions set forth in the Memorandum of Agreement (the "MOA") by and between DCAMM and BEDIC of even date herewith and recorded herewith in Book <u>CLU</u> Page <u>33</u>.

Grantor's Reservation of Access Easement.

The conveyance of Parcel B and D is subject to, and specifically reserving to DCAMM, its successors and assigns, a temporary nonexclusive easement (the "Access Easement") in, on, over, under and through Parcel B and D for vehicular (including construction vehicles) and pedestrian access and egress to the area referred to as the "Power Plant Site" (shown on Exhibit A attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference), and to use the Power Plant Site for as long and for whatever purposes as are necessary as determined by the Commissioner of DCAMM (the "Commissioner") in order to complete the remediation of the Power Plant Site, including without limitation, the right to test and remove soils, groundwater and other samples and the right to install monitoring and recovery wells which may be abandoned in place by DCAMM notwithstanding termination of the easement rights contained herein, until a Response Action Outcome Statement is filed by DCAMM with the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection for the Power Plant Site ("Access Easement"). Neither DCAMM nor BEDIC, their successors and assigns shall have any obligation to maintain, improve or pave the Access Easement.

As-Is Transfer

The Premises and buildings, structures and personal property located there on is conveyed under this Release Deed in an "as is" where is condition, without any representation or warranty express or implied by DCAMM or the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, as to the condition thereof.

Being a portion of the premises conveyed to the Grantor by deed from Friedrich Michel and Mary Michel dated June 9, 1916 and recorded with the Registry in Book 722, Page 63; and a portion of the premises conveyed to the Grantor from Fred Michel and Mary Michel dated June 9, 1916 and recorded with the Registry in Book 722, Page 97; and being the same premises conveyed to the Grantor by deed from Geraldine F. Howard and Everett C. Howard dated June 9, 1916 and recorded with the Registry in Book 722, Page 103; and a portion of the premises conveyed to the Grantor by deed from Sarah E. Jepson and David Jepson dated June 9, 1916 and recorded with the Registry in Book 722, Page 107; and a portion of the premises conveyed to the Grantor by deed from Avery W. Stacy and Maud F. Stacy dated June 9, 1916 and recorded with the Registry in Book 722, Page 115; and the same premises conveyed to Grantor by deed from Rudd E. A. Fairchild and Nannie J. Fairchild dated February 12, 1923 and recorded with the Registry in Book 788, Page 170; and the same premises conveyed to the Grantor by deed from William Orlando and Nellie V. Orlando dated April 11, 1923 and recorded with the Registry in Book 790, Page 25; and the same premises conveyed to the Grantor by deed from Thomas Riley, Sr., Jeremiah Riley, Thomas Riley, Jr., John Riley and Helen Riley, Gertrude Riley, William Riley, Nora A. Thayer and Horace A. Thayer, Mary Aubry and Justin Aubry, and Horace A.

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Thayer, Administrator of the Estate of Katherine Riley, deceased, dated May 16, 1923 and recorded with the Registry in Book 791, Page 231; and being the same premises in an Order of Taking dated September 20, 1922 and recorded with the Registry in Book 784, Page 521 and an Order of Taking dated September 20, 1922 and recorded with the Registry in Book 784, Page 522.

The terms and conditions contained in this Release Deed and the MOA shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the Grantor and the Grantee and their respective successors and assigns.

No deed stamps are required hereunder as the Grantor is The Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

WITNESS the execution hereof under seal as of the 12 day of April, 2002

GRANTOR
THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHSUETTS
Acting by and through its Division of Capital Asset
Management and Maintenance

By: Sture Sour

David B. Perini Commissioner

ACCEPTANCE OF RELEASE DEED

GRANTEE
BELCHERTOWN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
INDUSTRIAL CORPORATION

By: ______ Name: Chairman

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Suffolk, ss.

April 12, 2002

Then personally appeared the above-named David B. Perini, Commissioner of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Division of Capital Asset Management and Maintenance and acknowledged the foregoing instrument to be his free and deed and the free act and deed of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Division of Capital Asset Management, before me,

My commission expires:

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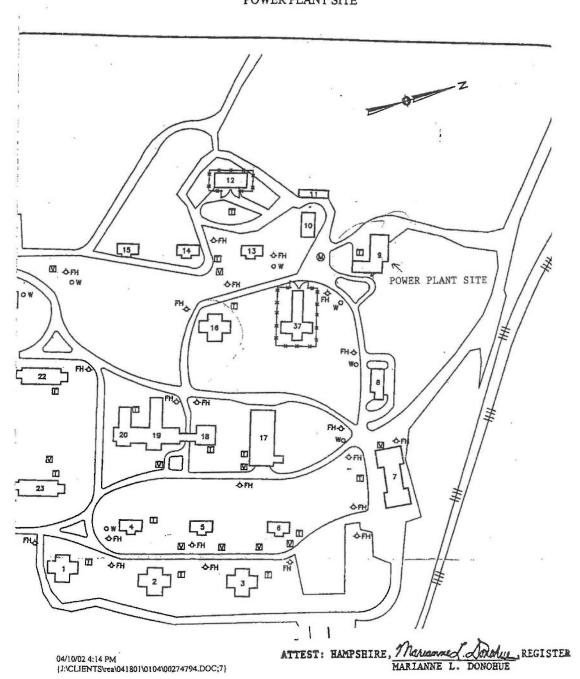
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Then personally appeared the above-named William A. Torry, Vice Chairman of the Belchertown Economic Development Industrial Corporation and acknowledged the foregoing instrument to be his/her free and deed and the free act and deed of the Belchertown Economic Development Industrial Corporation, before me,

Notary Public Officiary Hardee
My commission expires: 2/26/04

EXHIBIT A
POWER PLANT SITE





DRAFT ANALYSIS OF BROWNFIELDS CLEANUP ALTERNATIVES ASBESTOS REMOVAL AND REMEDIATION

Lot 4 Building #9 or Former Power Facility
Former Belchertown State School
State Street/Route 202, Belchertown, MA

I. INTRODUCTION & BACKGROUND

This draft Analysis of Brownfields Cleanup Alternatives (ABCA) was prepared by Tighe & Bond, on behalf of the Belchertown Economic Development Industrial Corporation (BEDIC) in support of a Brownfields Cleanup Grant application to the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Brownfield Program for Fiscal Year 2020 for Building #9 at the Former Belchertown State School in Belchertown, Massachusetts. The Building is part of the former Belchertown State School. This ABCA report addresses the health and safety issues associated with the vacant building.

a. Site Location

Building #9 is part of approximately 40 other structures (e.g. school buildings, dormitories, and maintenance buildings) located within the main campus portion of the former State School property, many of which have been demolished throughout the last several years. This draft ABCA applies to Building #9 only. Although there is an underground utility tunnel connected to Building #9, the tunnel has been made part of Lot 2 which is also located on the Belchertown Campus.

The structure was subject to a visual investigation, which included collection and documentation of various site-specific building data. Tighe & Bond has previous experience with hazardous materials investigations within this building and those findings have also been incorporated into this Cleanup Alternative Plan. Building-specific data is summarized as follows:

• Building #9 consists of an approximately 8,500 SF footprint comprised of three interior levels and a smoke stack. Building #9 was formally designated as the Belchertown State School Powerhouse which provided utilities including steam and hot water that was distributed through underground tunnels to the entire Campus. As mentioned previously, the tunnel segments have been evaluated and made part of Lot 2 which is located adjacent to Lot 4. Building #9 was constructed with brick, masonry and steel and was part of original campus building construction. Current building conditions display extensive roof deterioration, missing windows and doors and a building interior with large boiler units and other energy related equipment, etc. all of which have been vandalized.

b. Previous Site Use(s) and any previous cleanup/remediation

Building #9 was part of a state school campus formerly operated by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and was known as the "Belchertown State School for the Feeble-Minded." The state school was opened in 1922 and consisted of a large 800-acre complex that housed and educated 720 patients and residents in 13 dormitory buildings on the main campus. The school was largely self-sufficient and had its own water system, sewage treatment system, power plant, fire department, and telephone system. Other services provided on the campus were hospital,

dental, kitchens, laundry, print shop, shoe repair, etc. By the 1940s several of the school buildings were falling into disrepair. The school operated through the 1970s, downsized during the 1980s and eventually closed in 1992.

In 1994, the former Belchertown State School was listed in the National Register (District Number 94000688) and State Register of Historic Places as having historical significance as part of the Massachusetts State Hospitals and State Schools.

After closure of the school, the Town of Belchertown Economic Development and Industrial Corporation (BEDIC) assumed ownership of a 259-acre portion of the former state school property, including the main campus portion with buildings, in 2002 and became responsible for its redevelopment. In 2015 the BEDIC acquired an additional 7.5 acres. Their mandate was to attract and expand business that would broaden the tax base and create job opportunities. BEDIC has substantially redeveloped that part of the property that did not contain hazardous materials nor required the type and extent of the cleanup this Parcel does.

The main campus of the property contains abandoned buildings with significant environmental issues. The BEDIC has not been able to move forward with certain redevelopment due to lack of experience and funding for the large amount of demolition and remediation (D&R) needed at the Site. The property is a 43D Priority Development Site and the BEDIC and the Massachusetts Development Finance Agency (MassDevelopment) signed a Memorandum of Agreement in November 2012 for MassDevelopment to become BEDIC's agent for all activities related to redevelopment. Through work with MassDevelopment, in February 2015, BEDIC entered into a Memorandum of Agreement with the Massachusetts Historical Commission which allows for the demolition of all buildings on the main campus except for the Administration Building, which is being explored for active reuse.

Numerous past studies and environmental investigations (including building assessments) of the former Belchertown State School Campus have been conducted by various engineers, environmental consultants, planners, historians and architects since the mid-1990s. The results of these efforts are documented and summarized in reports which include:

- 1992, Draft Preliminary Assessment Report by Sverdrup Associates
- 1998, Investigative Survey Report for Asbestos Containing Materials by Hygienetics Environmental Corporation
- 1999, Site History Investigation by GZA GeoEnvironmental, Inc.
- 2009, Site Development Feasibility Assessment, by Fuss & O'Neil.
- 2009, Architectural Feasibility Analysis by Dietz and Company Architects.
- 2013, ASTM Phase I ESA, by Fuss & O'Neil.
- 2014, Environmental Notification Form, by Epsilon Associates & others
- 2014, 2015, Intensive Archeological Surveys by PAL, Inc.
- 2015, Draft Environmental Impact Report by Epsilon Associates & others
- 2015/2016, Hazardous Building Materials Assessments/Chemical Inventories, Tighe & Bond

Tighe & Bond is in process of preparing a supplemental Asbestos and Hazardous materials report for all remaining buildings on the Campus. The data collected during this investigation is made part of this ABCA.

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Environmental Findings:

The former Belchertown School Campus is a state-listed hazardous materials site and has been assessed and remediated in accordance with 310 CMR 40.0000, the Massachusetts Contingency Plan (MCP). Release tracking numbers associated with the former State School property, all of which have been closed out, include:

- RTN 1-00018: Power Facility (Building #24) Class A2 Response Action Outcome (RAO) in 2001
- RTN 1-11570: Food Service 1 & 2 (Building #11) Class A2 RAO in 1997
- RTN 1-11572: Garage South Side (Building #15) Class A2 RAO in 1998
- RTN 1-11573: Garage West Side (Building #5) Class A1 RAO in 1997
- RTN 1-20207: Building 26, PCBs in soils Permanent Solution achieved in 2018

Currently, there are no known releases of hazardous substances or petroleum products to soil or groundwater at Building #9.

Building Architectural Findings:

The 2009 Architectural Feasibility Analysis by Dietz and Company Architects included an evaluation of the condition of the 42 the buildings within the main campus portion of the state school property. Each building was examined from all four sides and was visually assessed and rated from excellent to poor as to overall condition. According to Dietz report, there were no buildings found to be in good or excellent condition, most were rated as being in poor condition. Since the 2009 Feasibility Analysis, each remaining building has undergone extensive deterioration and weathering given that none are subject to periodic maintenance.

Hazardous Building Materials Assessment (HBMA) Findings:

Past HBMAs conducted by others and recent demolition consulting services provided by Tighe & Bond for BEDIC from 2014 to 2019 included survey, assessments, and sampling that confirmed the presence of hazardous building materials (HBMs) throughout many of the structures and buildings remaining on campus. The assessments also included pre-demolition asbestos containing material (ACM) audits coupled with bulk sampling to confirm or deny the presence of those suspect ACMs encountered. The results of those findings confirmed the presence of large quantities and volumes of asbestos-containing building materials (ACBMs) in various states of deterioration and several differing types of hazardous building components consisting in general of oil containing equipment, stored paints, cleaning supplies and other universal type wastes. Many interior paint applications are also reported to have high lead and PCB concentrations. Given the friable condition of the majority of ACBMs, deteriorated commingled building conditions and the presence of many hazardous building components throughout most of these buildings, they have been identified as key impediments to redevelopment of the campus property, including Building #9, which is the subject of this draft ABCA.

c. Site Assessment Findings

Building #9 was recently subject to a pre-demolition type of hazardous building materials inspection coupled with bulk sample collection and analyses. The inspection and sampling were performed by Tighe & Bond asbestos licensed personnel. Access to most of the building was

conducted with exception to the roof and the interior of the large boiler breeching ducts. Our direct building experience coupled with our updated asbestos and paint sample analyses has allowed us to provide a general overview and partial summary of the anticipated HBMs expected to be present and require abatement in Building #9. These include but are not limited to:

- Approximately 2,500 linear feet of intact asbestos containing pipe & fitting thermal system
 insulation (TSI) throughout all levels of each building which are in various states of
 disrepair. The TSI is friable resulting in contamination to most interior building surfaces
 and has also become commingled with approximately 120 cubic yards of various types of
 deteriorated building debris.
- Approximately 6,300 square feet of boiler breeching insulation which is deteriorated.
- Four large boiler systems which are insulated with asbestos packings, gaskets and metal
 mating surfaces. Complete boiler system dismantling under full containment is necessary
 to access all ACMs.
- Assumed asbestos containing tar and gravel roofing system which has become deteriorated.
- Window caulking and glazing compounds.
- Various types of assumed 9 inch and 12 inch ACM floor coverings located under extensive quantities of plaster debris.
- ACM wall panel adhesive and wallboard construction.
- ACM transite electrical boards and components.
- PCBs in paint at levels greater than 50 parts per million (PPM) was applied to concrete floors, concrete and brick walls and structural steel. This condition will require special handling and disposal of approximately 2,000 tons of the buildings concrete and brick walls, floors and ceiling and approximately 500 tons of steel.
- PCBs within sludgy accumulated oils that were spilled and contaminated concrete. Approximately 150 tons of concrete shall be handled and disposed of as a PCB waste.
- Possible isolated mercury contamination to the concrete floor which is assumed to impact approximately 25 tons of concrete that will require special handling and disposal as a mercury containing waste.
- Light ballasts, fluorescent light tubes, containerized oils in equipment and stored in place.

d. Project Goal

BEDIC has established plans to redevelop the 83.2± acre "Main Campus" portion of the former State school property. This area has been designated a Priority Development Site (PDS) under MGL Chapter 43D. Building #9 is located in the northwest portion of the PDS area on Parcel B.

The redevelopment project received a Phase One Waiver Certificate from MEPA in June 2014 allowing development of an assisted living facility on the former Pad 1 area and through the Environmental Notification Form, identified a mixed-use redevelopment consisting of a senior Continuing Care Retirement Community, mixed commercial, multi-family residential, and light industrial uses. In December 2014, Special Town Meeting approved a new Business Neighborhood District to reflect the interest in mixed uses and a walkable, sylvan environment.

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In November 2015, BEDIC submitted a Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR) to the Massachusetts Environmental Permitting Act (MEPA) Office, including a conceptual masterplan for 586,000 SF of mixed use development at full-build. In 2018 construction was completed and the building was occupied.

A considerable effort of continued planning and engineering will be needed to maximize the gain in tax revenue for the community. The redevelopment will include a combination of building renovations, demolition or new construction, and will incorporate LEED green building and sustainable design. The Site is also close enough to the Belchertown town center and schools to create and enhance pedestrian circulation.

II APPLICABLE REGULATIONS AND CLEANUP STANDARDS

e. Cleanup Oversight Responsibility

The cleanup contractor selection will be based both on qualifications and costs. The former Belchertown School Campus is a state-listed hazardous materials site and has been assessed and remediated in accordance with 310 CMR 40.0000, the Massachusetts Contingency Plan (MCP). The five release tracking numbers (RTNs) associated with the former State School property (1-00018, 1-11570, 1-11572, 1-11573, and 1-20207) have been closed out. The proposed cleanup at Building #9 will include extensive asbestos, hazardous materials and PCBs in paint/concrete abatement. Additionally, cleanup activities at Building #9 under this proposed ABCA (related to hazardous building materials only) will be conducted under the direction or in coordination with a Massachusetts Licensed Site Professional (LSP) specializing in HBM abatement, demolition, and selective deconstruction.

f. Cleanup Standards for Major Contaminants

The cleanup standard for asbestos, co-mingled asbestos and hazardous materials inside the building is complete removal and abatement of all ACM and commingled deteriorated building materials such that these hazards will no longer be present. The proposed cleanup at Building #9 will be conducted in accordance with federal and state regulations.

These regulations 1) govern the handling and management (transportation and disposal) of asbestos waste, 2) protect contractor health and safety worker protection standards and exposures, and 3) limit air pollutants and prevent asbestos fibers from becoming airborne and harmful to workers or the public in accordance with National Emissions Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants (NESHAP).

Massachusetts laws and regulations require notification and work practices to avoid fiber release for asbestos handling, removal, storage, transport, and disposal. Regulations also require inspection of demolition, renovation, and manufacturing operations and special waste landfilling of asbestos and asbestos-containing material. Following abatement activities, subsequent building demolition (the preferred cleanup alternative) will be conducted in accordance with Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection (MassDEP) rules and regulations.

Portions of Building #9 are in a state of decay which has caused extensive commingling of known friable and non-friable ACMs of varying type, thus causing the need for extensive decontamination throughout the building. Current deteriorated conditions (i.e. missing windows and doors) also

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allow the ACMs to become subject to ambient conditions thus causing friable ACMs to become airborne.

Building #9 also contains PCBs in interior painted surfaces that has impacted brick, concrete and steel substrates. Further, lubricating machinery oils containing PCBs were subject to vandalism which caused contamination to concrete surfaces. Prior to and during planned demolition, identified PCBs materials will be managed and remediated to comply with the requirements of the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) and the Massachusetts Contingency Plan (MCP).

Due to the buildings deteriorating structural conditions and the presence of extensive PCBs and asbestos that is accessible to trespassers and the environment, a significant risk to human health and the environment exists associated with potential asbestos exposure. These buildings continue to be subject to vandalism and arson and contribute to an ongoing public health threat. Remedying these conditions remains paramount to achieving site conditions that no longer present a risk to human health and the environment.

g. Laws & Regulations Applicable to the Cleanup

Abatement of ACMs and contaminated building materials will be conducted pursuant to applicable Massachusetts asbestos abatement regulations (310 CMR 7.00). Off-Site disposal of other contaminated media will be conducted pursuant to the aforementioned regulations or the Massachusetts Solid Waste Regulations, 310 CMR 16.0000.

Massachusetts Department of Occupational Safety (DOS) also requires training, certification, and licensing requirements for persons and firms engaged in asbestos work, inspections, monitoring, laboratories and training providers and requires project notification and work practice requirements for asbestos work.

Other federal or state regulations which will be applicable to the proposed cleanup of Building #9 will include:

Federal Regulations

- Brownfields Revitalization Act
- Davis/Bacon Act
- OSHA: Regulations: 29 CFR Parts 1910 & 1926
- DOT: Title 49, section 173.1090
- EPA: (NESHAP): 40 CFR Part 61 Subpart M
- Emergency Response Act (AHERA) 40 CFR Part 763
- Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA)

Massachusetts Regulations

- 310 CMR 7.00: Air Pollution Control
- 310 CMR 4.00: Air Quality Notification Approval Timelines and Fees
- 310 CMR 7.00, 7.09(5), 7.15: MassDEP Air Pollution and Control Asbestos Regulations
- 453 CMR 6.00: MassDLS Removal, Containment or Encapsulation Asbestos Regulations
- 310 CMR 19.061: Solid Waste Regulations (disposal requirements)
- 310 CMR 16.00: Site Assignment Regulations for Solid Waste Facilities
- 310 CMR 40.0000: MCP (Reporting of oil and hazardous materials including asbestos to the environment and PCBs).
- 105 CMR 410.353: Massachusetts Department of Public Health (DPH) Sanitary Code

105 CMR 670: Massachusetts DPH Community Right-to-Know

Local Regulation and Project Coordination

BEDIC along with its licensed abatement contractor and licensed inspection/testing firm will coordinate with the local Building Commissioner and the local Board of Health as applicable for this cleanup. BEDIC and its Contractor will obtain required signoffs and will take utmost care to prevent any condition that may affect the health or safety of the general public. Other applicable regulations include federal, state, and local laws regarding procurement of Contractors conducting the cleanup will be followed. In addition, the appropriate permits or approvals will be acquired prior to the start of cleanup and will include: Dig Safe; transport; and other asbestos MassDEP Asbestos Abatement Notification filings.

III CLEANUP ALTERNATIVES

h. Cleanup Alternatives Considered

Two cleanup alternatives were considered to address the presence of hazardous building materials at Building #9 include:

Alternative No. 1: No Action

Alternative No. 2: Asbestos Abatement with Building Demolition, including commingled contaminated ACM abatement / disposal and PCBs in paint, oils and contaminated substrates management and disposal.

i. Evaluation of Cleanup Alternatives

To satisfy EPA requirements, the effectiveness, implementability, and cost of the alternatives must be considered prior to selecting a recommended cleanup alternative.

Alternative No. 1 (No Action)

This Alternative will not improve current Site conditions and is not an effective option in controlling or preventing the exposure of persons or the environment to contamination at the Site.

The "No Action" involves implementing and spending "nothing" but instead will potentially create additional unwanted burdensome security or legal costs to prevent potential trespassing, vandalism, or fire to protect public safety from the building hazards.

The No Action Alternative would severely restrict the ability of BEDIC to move forward and will not facilitate the proposed development plans (which include reuse or removal of hazardous buildings) for the former Belchertown State School.

Alternative No. 2: Asbestos and PCBs Abatement with Building Demolition

This alternative includes demolition of the existing building to support the mixed-use development plan through the Business Neighborhood District. Abatement followed by demolition is technically feasible and can be performed in relatively the same amount of time.

Alternative No. 2 is estimated to cost approximately \$1,220,000 for asbestos, PCBs and hazardous materials abatement and building demolition. The portion of the cost associated with activities to

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abate asbestos, oil/hazardous materials, commingled asbestos/building debris and PCB contaminated brick, steel and concrete is approximately \$914,000.

j. Recommended Cleanup Alternative

Alternative 2 is the preferred Building #9 clean-up alternative due to the easy building accessibility by trespassers, unsafe condition and environmental human threat due to the presence of ambient known friable ACMs, oils and hazardous materials & PCB concentrations in paint/oils throughout the unsecure building.

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through the exchange. New applicants who qualify for ConnectorCare can enter coverage at any time during the year. People who qualify for MassHealth receive no-cost or low-cost coverage immediately.

For people who need help with an application or have questions about their coverage, they can find a local Navigator or Certified Application Councilor to help, and many organizations offer help in Spanish. Local assisters can be found on the Health Connector website. People with questions about MassHealth eligible or coverage can call 800-841-2900 (TTY: 800-497-4648), and can request to speak with someone in Spanish.

About the Massachusetts Health Connector

The Massachusetts Health Connector is the Commonwealth's health insurance exchange, and currently serves 325,000 individuals and small-employer members with health and dental insurance. Massachusetts residents who do not have health insurance from an employer or other entity can use the exchange to gain coverage. Through the ConnectorCare program, income-qualifying residents can access coverage that includes low-cost premiums and co-pays, and no deductibles. Access to health coverage for individuals and small businesses can be found at the Health Connector's website, MAhealthconnector.org.

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In accordance with the provisions of G.L.c.82, §32A. the Selectboard of the Town of Belchertown will hold a virtual/online meeting to decide to discontinue maintenance of the "Discontinued Portion" of Old Pelham Road which has become abandoned and unused for ordinary travel for at least 20+ years and that the common convenience and necessity no longer require it to be maintained in a condition reasonably safe and convenient for travel; and that the Town of Belchertown shall no longer be bound to keep in repair that portion of Old Pelham Road extending northwesterly (from its intersection with Daniel Shavs Highway to its intersection with the southerly line of Allen Street), specifically from STA 36+21 (375 feet from STA 32+46) to STA 52.90 (Allen Street), as shown on the plan entitled "Portion of Jabish Brook Road to be Discontinued in Belchertown, Mass. Prepared for Hampshire County Commissioners". dated January 9, 1976, prepared by Almer Huntley, Jr. & Associates, Inc. Registered Land Surveyors and Civil Engineers recorded with the Hampshire Registry of Deeds in Plan Book 99, Page 38..

You are invited to attend a virtual/online hearing to be held by the Selectboard on Belchertown-Selectmen

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Belchertown Conservation Commission LEGAL NOTICE

Pursuant to the authority of Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 131, Section 40 (Wetlands Protection Act) and the Belchertown Wetland Bylaw, the Belchertown Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on Monday, September 14, 2020 at 7:00 PM at Lawrence Memorial Town Hall. The purpose of this meeting is to review a Request for Determination for resurfacing the drive at

Notice of Public Meeting Belchertown Economic Development and Industrial

Corporation

Review of a proposed U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Brownfields Cleanup Application for funding to assist with the clean-up of the power plant site (Site #4) located at the former Belchertown State School (aka Carriage Grove).

Date: Wednesday, September 16, 2020 Time: 7:20 p.m. Location: rial draft Clea

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The draft application and draft Analysis of Brownfields Cleanup Alternatives (ABCA) will be available for review beginning Friday, September 11, 2020 at www. massdevelopment.com/carriagegrove

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Comments on the draft applications and ABCA will be received, prior to Wednesday, September 30, 2020, at coneill@massdevelopment.com 9/10/2020

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Notice of Public Meeting Belchertown Economic Development and Industrial Corporation

Review of a proposed U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Brownfields Cleanup Application for funding to assist with the clean-up of the power plant site (Site #4) located at the former Belchertown State School (aka Carriage Grove).

Date:

Wednesday, September 16, 2020

Time:

7:20 p.m.

Location:

Remote: Go To Meeting

https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/151060901

You can also dial in using your phone. United States: +1 (872) 240-3412

Access Code: 151-060-901

The draft application and draft Analysis of Brownfields Cleanup Alternatives (ABCA) will be available for review beginning Friday, September 11, 2020 at www.massdevelopment.com/carriagegrove

Comments on the draft applications and ABCA will be received, prior to Wednesday, September 30, 2020, at coneil@massdevelopment.com



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Public Meeting Attendees

Proposed EPA Brownfields Cleanup Applications for Lot #4 (Power Plant) located at the former Belchertown State School, aka Carriage Grove.

Date:

Wednesday, September 16, 2020

Time:

7:20pm

Location:

Via GoToMeeting Remote. Posted BEDIC Meeting

NAME

ORGANIZATION / RESIDENT

Claire O'Neill MassDevelopment Kirk Stephens BEDIC

Jonathan Spiegel BEDIC Bob Rivard BEDIC Rich Kump BEDIC

Beth Maroney BEDIC
Bill Terry BEDIC
Jen Turner Select Board

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Belchertown Cultural Alliance

Jill Bierly

Belchertown Historical Commission and Belchertown Cultural Alliance

coneill@massdevelopment.com

Sarah Maroney

Belchertown Cultural Alliance

Broadcast live and recorded by Belchertown Community TV



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Public Meeting Notes

Proposed EPA Brownfields Cleanup Applications for Lot #4 (Power Plant #9) located at the former Belchertown State School, aka Carriage Grove.

Date:

Wednesday, September 16, 2020

Time:

7:20pm

Location:

Via Remote GoToMeeting at the 9/16/2020 Posted BEDIC Meeting

Mr. Spiegel introduced the agenda item at the 9/16/20 BEDIC meeting at 7:22pm and welcomed attendees. He asked Claire O'Neill of MassDevelopment to describe the project. Ms. O'Neill stated that BEDIC (with the assistance of MassDevelopment) is planning to apply for \$500,000 in Brownfields Clean Up funding from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

Ms. O'Neill advised that the draft application is available for the public's review at MassDevelopment's website. The URL is www.massdevelopment.com/carriagegrove and written comments via email at coneill@massdevelopment.com are due to her before September 30, 2020.

The Power Plant consists of an approximately 8,500 SF footprint comprised of three interior levels and a smoke stack. It was constructed with brick, masonry and steel and was part of original campus building construction. Current building conditions display extensive roof deterioration, missing windows and doors and a building interior with large boiler units and other energy related equipment, etc. all of which have been vandalized. Lot 4 at the State School involves the remediation of asbestos containing materials, and paint and materials contaminated with PCBs in the Power Plant Building.

The application is for the maximum amount available from EPA which is \$500,000 but the total estimated cleanup and demolition cost is \$1,220,000. Once cleared, this land will become part of the planned multifamily housing area including access to the rear trails.

Mr. Stephens asked about the historical subsurface contamination and Ms. O'Neill advised that the Licensed Site Professional is familiar with DCAMM's past clean up and subsequent soil testing, which is documented on file with MassDEP. The LSP will provide recommendations related to the slab removal and any necessary remediation of soils.

Conversation then moved on to other development efforts at Carriage Grove.

Ignathan Spiegel, Vice Chairman

Date:

OMB Number: 4040-0004 Expiration Date: 12/31/2022

Application for Federal Assistance SF-424										
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* 10. Name of Federal Agency:
Environmental Protection Agency
11. Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number:
66.818
CFDA Title:
Brownfields Assessment and Cleanup Cooperative Agreements
* 12. Funding Opportunity Number:
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* 15. Descriptive Title of Applicant's Project:
Clean up of Lot 4 and Power Plant Building, removal of PCB's, asbestos, lead and mercury to allow
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